

# 'IRGINIA TECH

2022 WOMEN'S SOCCER



12 NCAA APPEARANCES / COLLEGE CUP: 2013 / 25 ALL-ACC SELECTIONS / 3 ALL-AMERICANS / 3 NWSL DRAFT PICKS

## 2022 VIRGINIA TECH VS. NORTHERN COLORADO

**VIRGINIA TECH HOKIES** 

VS

## **NORTHERN COLORADO**

5-1-1. O-O ACC

Head coach: Charles "Chugger" Adair (San Diego, '93) Record at Virginia Tech: 143-69-23 (12th season)

Series Record vs. Northern Colorado: 0-0

4-1-2. 0-0 BIG SKY

Head coach: Tim Barrera (Virginia Tech, '86) Record at Northern Colorado: 221-190-47 (23rd season)

Series Record vs. Virginia Tech: 0-0

MATCH 8 | VIRGINIA TECH vs NORTHERN COLORADO - SEPT. 11, 2022 | 1:00 PM EST | ACCNX | BLACKSBURG, VA. | THOMPSON FIELD



	QUICK COMPARISON	
5-1-1	Record	4-1-2
2.57	Goals (per match)	2.14
0.86	Goals Against Avg.	0.57
+12	Goal Differential	+11
8.42	SOG per match	6.28
5.85	Corners per match	4.42



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## **STARTING XI** - PROJECTION

#### **VIRGINIA TECH**

Pos	#	Name	Note
GK	00	Lauren Hargrove	3 Clean Sheets (T-2 in ACC)
D	5	Aino Vuorinen	
D	21	Averi Visage	
D	20	Victoria Haugen	
М	11	Gabby Johnson	2 goals this season
M	6	Makenzie Graham	
М	26	Emma Pelkowski	
M	18	Lauren Gogal	
M	19	Nichole Mitchell	27 shots, 2 PK Goals, 4 assists
F	12	Tori Powell	5 goals, (T-13th in NCAA)
F	25	Taylor Price	4 goals

#### 3-5-2 Formation



## **KEY STORYLINES**

#### **LOOKING FOR SEVEN**

- · Virginia Tech faced their first loss of the season on Thursday versus #4 South Carolina 1-2. Tech was unbeaten after five games this season before falling to the Gamecocks.
- · Although the No. 4 Gamecocks won, Tech fought an even match as both teams had six shots on goal. The Hokies held the shot advantage 12-11.
- · Tech has relied on dominating in the second half of the game, scoring over half their goals in the last 45 minutes.
- The Hokies have scored 18 goals in their first seven games averaging just over two per game. Tech's scoring offense is ranked tied for 31st in the NCAA. Tech is tied for 4th in the ACC with 50 points, and 4th in Goals.

- Tori Powell leads the team in goals with five goals. Powell is ranked tied for 13th in the NCAA, for goals this season.
- Taylor Price is second on the team with four goals, and is ranked tied for 9th in the ACC.
- Tech's goalkeeper Lauren Hargrove has recorded three clean sheets so far this season, having let three all get past her in her last six games. Hargrove is ranked sixth in the ACC with a saving percentage of .850.

## **SCOUTING BEARS**

- The Bears return to the pitch after a 1-2 loss to James Madison on Thursday. Northern Colorado had a 13-6 shot deficit to the Dukes.
- The Bears have the endurance

to play to the very end, as Melina Faris scored against the Dukes with less than 30 seconds left in the match. Faris also scored the team's first goal in their game versus North Dakota State.

- Northern Colorado leads the Big Sky Conference at 4-1-2. and leads the conference with a saving percentage of .897 (35 saves)
- Goalkeeper Kaya Lindberg has allowed 4 goals in 599 minutes of play this season, saving 35 shots. Lindberg is currently ranked first in the Big Sky in goals against average of .601.
- Northern Colorado shows strength throughout the entire match with 7 goals in the first period and 8 in the second. The Bears have shown more determination in the second half

## **2022 FIXTURES**

RECORD ACC				5-1-1
				0-0-0
NO	N-CONFE	RENCE		5-1-1
HO	ME			2-1-1
AW	IAY			3-0-0
NE	UTRAL			0-0-0
Tue.	Aug. 9	at Richmond <sup>EXH</sup>		W, 4-1
Sat.	Aug. 13	at Loyola <sup>exh</sup>		W, 1-
Thu.	Aug. 18	at William & Mary	FLO FC	W, 4-
Sun.	Aug. 21	Indiana	ACCNX	T, 0-1
Thu.	Aug. 25	Delaware	ACCNX	W, 2-I
Sun.	Aug. 28	at Elon	FLO FC	W, 5-
Thu.	Sept. 1	at Old Dominion	ESPN+	W. 3-
Sun.	Sept. 4	Charlotte	ACCNX	W, 3-
Thu.	Sept. 8	#4 South Carolina	ACCNX	L, 2-
Sun.	Sept. 11	Northern Colorado	ACCNX	
Fri.	Sept. 16	Pitt *	ACCNX	
Thu.	Sept. 22	at NC State *	ACCNX	
Sun.	Sept. 25	at Wake Forest *	ACCN	
Sat.	Oct. 1	North Carolina *	ACCNX	
Thu.	Oct. 6	Miami *	ACCN	
Sun.	Oct. 9	at Clemson *	ACCNX	
Thu.	Oct. 13	Virginia *	ACCN	
Thu.	Oct. 20	Notre Dame *	ACCNX	
Sun.	Oct. 23	Syracuse *	ACCNX	
Thu.	Oct. 27	Florida State *	ACCNX	

All times Eastern \* - ACC Match FXH - Exhibition

## **THE SERIES**

Matches played: 0 Virginia Tech record: 0

Home: --Away: --

Neutral: --

Tech streak: --First meeting: --

Last meeting: --Last Tech win: --

## **OUICK FACTS**

#### THE BASICS

University Name: Virginia Tech Location: Blacksburg, Va. Founded: 1872 Enrollment: 37,000 President: Dr. Timothy Sands Director of Athletics: Whit Babcock

Nickname: Hokies
Mascot: HokieBird
Colors: Chicago Maroon & Burnt Orange
Affiliation: NCAA Division I
Conference: Atlantic Coast (19th Season)

#### HOME PITCH

Thompson Field
Capacity: 2,028
Dimensions: 75x125 yards
Surface: Natural bluegrass

#### **TEAM INFORMATION**

**2021 Record:** 12-6-2

Home / Away / Neutral: 8-1-1 / 4-4-1 / 0-1

Conference Record: 5:3-2 Home / Away: 3:1-1/2-2-1 Conference Finish: 8th Postseason: NCAA Second Round

First season: 1993
All-Time Record: 297-238-49
All-Time ACC Record: 73-82-25
All-Time ACC Tournament Record: 4-8-2
ACC Finals Appearances (Last): 2 (2013)
NCAA Tournament Appearances (Last): 12 (2021)

All-Time NCAA Record: 13-12-1 College Cup Appearances (Last): 1 (2013)

## **MEDIA INFORMATION**

## MEDIA ACCESS/CREDENTIALS

Outlets interested in obtaining media access to cover Virginia Tech women's soccer home matches must apply for credentials through **Eric Raumen** (media contact) via email at **eraumen@vt.edu**.

All credentials for Virginia Tech home matches during the 2022 season will! be issued on a single-match basis. Media seating is extremely limited.

Per Virginia Tech athletic department policy, all media members in attendance must wear a mask regardless of vaccination status when inside the press box or interacting with Virginia Tech student-athletes and coaches.

### INTERVIEW POLICY

Matchdays: Virginia Tech head coach Chugger Adair and requested student-athletes will be available to the media after the match following a 10-minute cooling-off period.

Non-Matchdays: All coach and student-athlete interview requests need to be arranged through the Virginia Tech Strategic Communications Office - contact Eric Raumen by email at eraumen@vt.edu. Student-athletes and coaches should not be contacted directly under any circumstances.

## **2022 VIRGINIA TECH NUMERICAL ROSTER**

No.	Name	CI.	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown	High School (College)	Previous Club
0	Dare Burnett	R-Jr.	GK	5-10	Ashburn, Va.	Briar Woods	FC Virginia DA
00	Lauren Hargrove	So.	GK	5-9	Richmond, Va.	Douglas S. Freeman	Richmond United ECNL
1	Alia Skinner	Jr.	GK	5-9	Fleming Island, Fla.	Fleming Island	United Soccer Alliance DA
2	Riley McCarthy	Jr.	D	5-4	Clifton, Va.	James W. Robinson	FC Virginia DA
3	Kendall Feighan	R-Jr.	F	5-3	Pleasant Valley, N.Y.	Arlington	New York City FC DA
4	Ines Obradovac	Fr.	F/M	5-9	Woodstock, Ga.	River Ridge	United Futbol Academy
5	Aino Vuorinen	So.	D	5-4	Espoo, Finland	Haukilahti	FC Honka
6	Makenzie Graham	Sr.	М	5-9	State College, Pa.	State College	Pittsburgh Riverhounds
7	Avery Tharrington	So.	М	5-7	Springfield, Va.	South County	BRYC Elite
8	Ayden Yates	Jr.	F	5-6	Davidson, N.C.	Lake Norman Charter	Charlotte Soccer Academy DA
9	Calista Heister	Sr.	F	5-7	Olean, N.Y.	Olean	WNY Flash Academy ECNL
10	Bella Pontieri	Fr.	F/M	5-7	Jacksonville, Fla.	St. John's Country Day	GS United
11	Gabby Johnson	Gr.	М	5-3	Midlothian, Va.	Veritas School (Delaware)	Seattle Sounders WPSL
12	Tori Powell	Jr.	F	5-9	Haymarket, Va.	Battlefield	FC Virginia DA
13	Victoria Moser	R-Fr.	F/D	5-8	Greensboro, N.C.	Walter Hines Page	NC Fusion
14	Allie Lewis	So.	D	5-9	Bloomsburg, Pa.	Bloomsburg	Penn Fusion SA
15	Sophie Maltese	So.	F	5-7	Leesburg, Va.	Briar Woods	McLean ECNL
16	Allie George	Fr.	F	5-11	Louisville, Ky.	Sacred Heart Academy	Javanon FC
17	Courtney Andersen	Fr.	М	5-6	Clifton, Va.	Centreville	FC Virgina
18	Lauren Gogal	So.	M/D	5-10	Haymarket, Va.	Northern Virginia CC	Virginia Developmental Academy
19	Natalie Mitchell	Fr.	F/M	5-7	Temecula, Calif.	Temecula Valley	San Diego Surf ECNL
20	Victoria Haugen	Jr.	D	5-7	Bristow, Va.	Patriot	FC Virginia DA
21	Averi Visage	Jr.	D	5-10	Acworth, Ga.	Harrison	Concorde Fire Platinum ECNL
22	Taylor Bryan	R-So.	F	5-5	Brooklyn, N.Y.	Xaverian	Fury FC DA
23	Kate Bonshak	Jr.	F	5-4	Whitehall, Pa.	Whitehall	Lehigh Valley United
24	Emmalee McCarter	Gr.	F/M	5-6	Charleston, S.C.	James Island Charter	South Carolina United FC
25	Taylor Price	Fr.	F/M	5-6	Ashburn, Va.	Briar Woods	TSJ FC Virginia
26	Emma Pelkowski	So.	М	5-7	West Chester, Pa.	Bayard Rustin	Penn Fusion SA
27	Ava Veith	Jr.	D	5-9	Williamsburg, Va.	Bruton	Richmond United ECNL
28	Ella Ciardullo	Fr.	F/M	5-5	Milton, Ga.	Cambridge	Tophat Gold
29	Kendall DiMillio	Fr.	M/D	5-4	Broadlands, Va.	Briar Woods	TSJ FC Virginia
31	Maysen Nelson	Fr.	D	5-8	Woodbridge, Va.	Colgan	TSJ FC Virginia
32	Emma Stanley	Fr.	F/M	5-3	Grand Blanc, Mich.	Grand Blanc	Nationals
34	Ella Valente	Fr.	F/M	5-6	Sterling, Va.	Potomac Falls	VA Union ECNL
35	Ruby Darling	So.	F/D	5-9	Fredricksburg, Va.	Mountain View (WVU)	Richmond United

## **COACHING & SUPPORT STAFF**

Head Coach: Charles "Chugger" Adair (San Diego, '93), 12th season as head coach

**Associate Head Coach:** Drew Kopp (Pittsburgh, '99), 11th season **Assistant Coach:** Matt Gwilliam (Elizabethtown, '01), eigth season

Director of Operations: Katie Flores, first season Strength & Conditioning: Brandon Dillard Athletic Trainer: Emily Whitaker Creative Communications: Fric Raumen

## PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

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<b>0</b> - Dare Burnett	DAIR
1 - Alia Skinner	ah-LEE-ah
3 - Kendall Feighan	FAY-in
4 - Ines Obradovac	E-nis O-bra-Vech
5 - Aino Vuorinen	EYE-no WORR-in-en (European 'r')
7 - Avery Tharrington	THAIR-ing-ton
8 - Ayden Yates	AID-en
9 - Calista Heister	cah-LISS-tah HY-stir
10 - Bella Pontieri	Pon-T-air-E
13 - Victoria Moser	MOH-zer
15 - Sophie Maltese	mahl-TEECE
18 - Lauren Gogal	GO-goal
20 - Victoria Haugen	HOW-gen
21 - Averi Visage	VIS-idge
23 - Kate Bonshak	BON-shack
<b>27</b> - Ava Veith	VYTH ('eye' sound)
28 - Ella Ciardullo	car-DO-low
29 - Kendall DiMillio	D-mill-E-o
34 - Ella Valente	VAL-n-Tay
AC - Matt Gwilliam	GWILL-um

with 64% of all shots taken in the last 45 minutes.

- Last season, Northern Colorado went 10-8-2, falling to Weber State 2-3 in the conference tournament.
- Northern Colorado was picked to finish first in the Big Sky conference preseason poll.
- Forward Lauren Woodhull leads her team in points with 4 goals.

#### THE HISTORY

• Virginia Tech has not played against Northern Colorado.

### **BIG SKY EXPERIENCE**

• Sunday's match versus Nothern Colorado will be the first time Virginia Tech has gone head-tohead with a current Big Sky school.

#### SCORTNE

• Below is the Hokies' active scoring list:

Player	MP	MS	G	Α
Tori Powell	7	7	5	1
Taylor Price	7	7	4	1
Natalie Mitchell	7	7	2	4
Gabby Johnson	6	4	2	
Sophie Maltese	5		2	
Ella Valenete	6	1	1	2
Ella Ciardullo	7		1	1
Emma Pelkowski	6	6	1	

#### **ATTACK**

• Virginia Tech has averaged 17.7 shot attempts per match this season, keeping opponents down to an average of 7.1 shots.

#### **HOKIES AT HOME**

- Virginia Tech is 2-1-1 at home this season. Hokies tied with Indiana 0-0 in the home opener, and beat Delaware 2-0 later in the week. Tech then went on to take down Charlotte 3-0, before falling to South Carolina 1-2 on Thursday.
- Hokies have scored six goals in four games at home this season.
- Virginia Tech compiled a 8-1-1 record at home during the 2021 season, scoring 27 goals at a +21 goal differential.

#### THE SECOND

- The Hokies continue put the pressure on teams in the second half scoring 12 of their 18 goals in the last 45 minutes.
- Hokies made 9 shots in the last 42 minutes of the Charlotte match. Tori Powell scored her second goal of the game in the 86th minute of the match.
- In their toughest non-conference match, the Hokies held off the #4 Gamecocks for 56 minutes before allowing a goal. After their second goal, the Hokies continued to stop the Gamecocks from scoring in the final 30 minutes.
- The team has the drive to stay strong in the final minutes of the match, allowing only three goal in the second half.

#### **PNWFII**

- Tori Powell scored her 20th career goal vs. Charlotte, her fifth goal of the season. Powell is ranked tied for thirteenth in the NCAA for goals, and tied third in the ACC.
- Powell scored the third and final goal at the Charlotte match with less than 4 minutes remaining in the game. She scored 2 of 3 shots on goal.
- Powell became the 11th Virginia Tech player to notch the program's 13th all-time hat trick on Oct. 10 at Wake Forest (2021).
- Powell's hat trick marked Tech's first against a Power Five opponent (fifth during the program's ACC tenure).

#### **PRICE**

- Three times this season, freshman Taylor Price has scored the first goal of the game for the Hokies leading them to victory.
- Price is second on the team with four goals this season and remains the top ranked freshman in the ACC for goals and points.
- As a freshman, Price has already made a huge impact on the team with 21 shots, 4 goals, 1 assist, and 9 points.

#### MITCHELL

- Natalie Mitchell has taken 27 shots this season, the 4th most of any player in the ACC and is first among freshman. She has made 2 goal and 4 assists, ranking second in the ACC for assist.
- Mitchell has gone 2-2 on penalty kicks this season, scoring the first goal of the match vs. South Carolina.

#### HARGROVE

- Sophmore goalkeeper Lauren Hargrove made her first career start at the Indiana match. She allowed zero goals in 90 minutes of play. Hargrove went on to play 300 minutes this season before allowing one goal.
- Starting the season, Hargrove is ranked tied for third in the ACC with three shutouts. She is also ranked seventh in the conference for saves (17), and sixth in save percentage (.850).

### FRESHMAN TO WATCH

• Midfielder Courtney Andersen was named to the 2022 TopDrawerSoccer.com Freshman Best XI list! Andersen made one assist in the preseason match against Loyola.

### **VEITH ON #SCTOP10**

- Ava Veith's first collegiate goal extending Virginia Tech's lead to 5-0 on Aug. 26, 2021 against Elon - received the No. 2 spot on SportsCenter's Top 10 Plays.
- Veith unloaded a 35-yard, curling strike to the top-right shelf, preluding Holly Weber's 30-yard strike that took place on the other side of a 55-minute lightning delay.

#### SEASON OUTLOOK

• Virginia Tech has aspirations of making the program's 13th NCAA tournament appearance to date this fall, having earned all berths since 2004.

#### PRESEASON POLLS

- Virginia Tech was voted to finish ninth in the preseason ACC standings this season by the league's head coaches.
- The Hokies will be chasing one of six spots in the 2022 ACC Women's Soccer Championship.
- Of the eight programs picked to finish ahead of Tech, four were ranked among the top 10 national preseason positions per *United Soccer Coaches*:

ACC	National
No. 4	No. 1
No. 3	No. 10
No. 2	No. 4
No. 1	No. 2
	No. 3 No. 2

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#### **2022 STANDINGS**

TEAM	ACC	<u>PTS</u>	OVERALL
No. 5 Virginia	0-0-0	0	7-0
No. 12 Notre Dame	0-0-0	0	6-0
No. 24 Wake Forest	0-0-0	0	6-0-1
No. 2 North Carolina	0-0-0	0	6-1
Pitt	0-0-0	0	6-1
Syracuse	0-0-0	0	6-1
No. 8 Florida State	0-0-0	0	3-0-2
Virginia Tech	0-0-0	0	5-1-1
No. 3 Duke	0-0-0	0	5-2
Boston College	0-0-0	0	4-1-2
Clemson	0-0-0	0	4-1-2
NC State	0-0-0	0	4-1-2
Louisville	0-0-0	0	3-1-2
Miami	0-0-0	0	3-1-2

#### PREDICTED ORDER OF FINISH

	TEAM (FIRST-PLACE VOTES)	POINTS
1.	Duke (3)	156
2.	Virginia (4)	153
3.	North Carolina (4)	150
4.	Florida State (3)	143
5.	Clemson	115
6.	Notre Dame	108
T7.	NC State	90
T7.	Wake Forest	90
9.	Virginia Tech	79
10.	Pitt	66
11.	Louisville	47
12.	Boston College	36
13.	Miami	21
14.	Syracuse	20

## **VIRGINIA TECH WOMEN'S SOCCER**



## THE ADAIR FILE

Coaching Exp.: 24th season, 17th at Tech Head Coach: 12th season, 12th at Tech Record at Tech: 143-69-23 (.657) Overall Record: 143-69-23 (.657) College: San Diego (1993)

Playing Exp: San Diego State (1989), San

Diego (1990-93)

Year	School/Org.	Position
2011-present	Virginia Tech	Head Coach
2006-10	Virginia Tech	Associate Head Coach
2004-06	UC Santa Barbara	Women's Assistant Coach
2003	San Diego Spirit	Assistant Coach
2002	Pacific	M&W Assistant Coach
1998-2000	San Diego	Men's Assistant Coach

### **Most NCAA Appearances by Tech coaches**

Coach	Apps	Berths
Chugger Adair	8	2011-15, 2018, 2019, 2021
Kelly Cagle	4	2004, 2008-10

## **Year-By-Year Record**

CAREER RECORD	)	
YEAR	SCHOOL	RECORD
2011	Virginia Tech	14-8-1
2012	Virginia Tech	13-6-1
2013	Virginia Tech	19-5-3
2014	Virginia Tech	16-6-0
2015	Virginia Tech	15-4-2
2016	Virginia Tech	11-5-3
2017	Virginia Tech	7-6-5
2018	Virginia Tech	11-8-3
2019	Virginia Tech	12-5-2
2020-21	Virginia Tech	8-9-0
2021	Virginia Tech	12-6-2
2022	Virginia Tech	5-1-1
TOTALS:		143-69-23



On December 7, 2010, former Virginia Tech Director of Athletics Jim Weaver announced the hiring of Tech's fourth head women's soccer coach Charles "Chugger" Adair, the associate head coach for the team the previous five seasons. The 2019 season marked Adair's 14th season in Blacksburg and his ninth year as the Hokies' head coach. In that time, he's become the all-time wins leader in program history, ending the 2019 campaign with a 118-53-20 overall record, and became just the second soccer coach at the school to reach the 100-win milestone with the team's victory at Miami on Sept. 23 (Jerry Cheynet, 238 wins, 28 seasons for Tech men's soccer). He's also just the 10th women's soccer head coach to reach that mark in the ACC.

Prior to Adair's arrival on campus, the women's program just once (2004) made the postseason - playing a game in both the ACC and NCAA tournaments. Since, the team has qualified for six ACC tournaments, playing for the conference title twice (2008 & 2013), and earned eight straight bids to the NCAA championship (2008-15) and 10 overall, as the Hokies made back-to-back trips in 2018 and 2019. Tech has reached the Sweet 16 four times under Adair (2009, 2011, 2014, 2018), but enjoyed its greatest success in 2013. That record-setting season included the Hokies posting a school-record 19 wins (most by any soccer team at the school), playing for the ACC title and advancing to the NCAA College Cup, where their season ended with a 3-2 loss to Florida State in a national semifinal game.

Under Adair, Tech has seen the program's three draft choices selected in the NWSL draft. Jazmine Reeves was the 21st overall pick by the Boston Breakers in 2014, while Mandy McGlynn was chosen one spot higher with the No. 20 pick by Sky Blue FC in 2020. Emily Gray made history in 2021 becoming the highest drafted pick at number three by North Carolina Courage. Tech has also had its only three All-Americans under Adair's tutelage - Reeves (1st, 2013), Murielle Tiernan (3rd, 2015) and McGlynn (2nd, 2019) - and two of its three Academic All-Americans - Katie Yensen (3rd, 2014) and McGlynn (1st, 2019).

Along with the great strides the Hokies have made on the pitch, the Tech women's soccer program is also known for producing outstanding students who are major contributors off of it. Each year, the Hokies boast a high team grade point average and have student-athletes who compete for state, regional and national academic recognition. In fact, during the 2017-18 academic season, the team posted a program-tying best ever team GPA of 3.53 in the spring semester. In addition, both Ashley Meier (2015) and Alani Johnson (2017) have received an ACC Postgraduate Scholarship, with Meier also earning an NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship as well. Lastly, in 2018, Heather Timothy became Tech's sixth women's soccer player to earn the Skelton Award for Academic Excellence in Athletics - the highest designation handed out by the Tech athletics department.

In 2015, the Hokies went 15-4-2 and won their opening round game in the NCAA Championship, while in the 2014 season, Adair led the Hokies to a 16-6 record and advanced to the Sweet 16 for the third time in school history. During that season, the Hokies set a school record for most goals in a season, with 62, and fewest goals allowed in a season, surrendering just 18, and reached a program-best No. 2 ranking in the country after starting the season at 10-0-0.

In their record-setting 2013 campaign, the Hokies beat three ranked teams during the regular season and then blew out then-No. 1 Virginia 4-2 in the ACC Tournament semifinals. They added two more ranked foes to their list of conquests when they downed West Virginia 1-0 and knocked off Santa Clara by advancing on penalty kicks in the NCAA Championships. The Hokies were a No. 1 seed in the tournament and hosted four games in Blacksburg. The Hokies scored a then school-record 56 goals, breaking the mark of 45 set by the 2012 team, and shut out 12 opponents, tying the mark also set by the 2012 squad. They finished the season with a school-best No. 4 ranking in the country.

In Adair's first season as the head coach (2011), Tech matched its best finish in program history (at the time), making it all the way to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Championship. Adair led the Hokies to a 14-8-1 overall record, which included 11 shutouts.

Adair came to Tech in 2006 and served as the associate head coach under previous head coach Kelly Cagle for five seasons before being promoted. In Adair's first season as an assistant to Cagle, the Hokies suffered a losing season, but have not suffered a losing season since. In 2008, the Hokies advanced to the finals of the ACC Championship for the first time, falling to North Carolina 3-0, and in 2009, the Hokies won 16 games, then a school record, and earned a final ranking of No. 12.

Adair also possesses a great deal of playing experience, having played professionally for 10 years, including stints with the Los Angeles Galaxy of Major League Soccer and the U.S. National Futsal Team. He also spent time playing for the San Diego Sockers, Wichita Wings, Portland Timbers, San Diego Flash, Minnesota Thunder, Seattle Sounders, Milwaukee Wave, Carolina Dynamo and A.A. Ghent (Belgium) from 1993-2003.

Adair played soccer at the University of San Diego after transferring from San Diego State in the early 1990s. He earned All-America honors, was a two-year captain and helped USD to the NCAA finals, where the Toreros lost to Virginia. He scored 27 goals and had 23 assists in his three years at USD. He got his bachelor's degree in business administration from USD in 1993 and he received his MBA from USD in 1996.

Adair is married to the former Shelbylynn Mc-Bride, and they have a daughter, Callie Lynn and a son, Austin Tate. He also has two other daughters Alexandra and Madeline, and a son Jack.



## KEY STORYLINES, CTD.

• Tech is also scheduled to face two more programs ranked among the *United Soccer Coaches* preseason top 25: No. 16 Notre Dame and No. 25 Clemson

### **LAST TIME VIRGINIA TECH...**

- Won an NCAA tournament match: 2021 first round vs. Ohio State in Blacksburg, Va. (3-1).
- Won an NCAA tournament match on penalty kicks: 2013 third round vs. [4] Santa Clara at Thompson Field (1-1 draw, 3-1 on penalty kicks).
- Advanced to the NCAA third round: 2018 after defeating Arkansas, 1-0 (20T), in Cary, North Carolina.

### **BEST PERFORMANCES 2021**

- **Sept. 12:** Virginia Tech defeats No. 12 South Carolina, 1-0, in a true road environment. The Hokies held SC to season lows in attempts (seven total, three on target).
- **Sept. 23:** Tech earns its first-ever away series point at No. 4 North Carolina (2-2 draw). The Hokies' 2-0 lead marked the largest deficit UNC had faced at home since 2013.
- **Sept. 26:** Virginia Tech collects a result against its second consecutive top-five opponent, drawing with No. 2 Duke (1-1). The Hokies never trailed against UNC or Duke during the same week.
- *Oct. 15:* Tech holds No. 1 Florida State to season lows in attempts (nine total, two on target).
- Nov. 12: Tech takes down Ohio State (3-1) in the first round of the NCAA Tournament.

#### **AGAINST THE COMMONWEALTH**

- With the victory against W&M, Virginia Tech improved to 20-2-0 under Chugger Adair when competing in non-conference regular season matches against in-state opponents.
- Tech's two defeats were had against Virginia during the 2020-21 season (non-conference ACC matches inside COVID-19 scheduling).

## **LUCKY SEVEN**

• Virginia Tech's seven goals against Elon on Aug. 26, 2021 (7-1 victory) tied its third highest goal count across program history:

Rk	Player	Opponent	Goals
1.	Aug. 31, 2004	VMI	9
2.	Oct. 15, 2020	Miami	8
3.	Aug. 26, 2021	Elon	7
	Aug. 23, 2013	High Point	7
	Sept. 15, 1993	Virginia Wesleyan	7

• The Hokies tied a program record with their eight assists (Aug. 27, 2006, vs. Radford).

## **CAREER SCORING**

No.	Player	MP	MS	G	Α
0	Dare Burnett	1			
00	Lauren Hargrove	8	5		
1	Alia Skinner	37	37		
2	Riley McCarthy	11	2		1
3	Kendall Feighan	1			
4	Ines Obradovac	2			
5	Aino Vuorinen	25	15	1	3
6	Makenzie Graham	42	26	2	
7	Avery Tharrington	18	15		1
8	Ayden Yates	6			2
9	Calista Heister	27	2		
10	Bella Pontieri	4			
11	Gabby Johnson	66	33	8	3
	at Virginia Tech	24	12	2	1
12	Tori Powell	43	41	20	11
13	Victoria Moser				
14	Allie Lewis	23	21	1	1
15	Sophie Maltese	25		5	2
16	Allie George	26	5		1
17	Courtney Andersen	3			
18	Lauren Gogal	24	14		2
19	Natalie Mitchell	7	7	2	4
20	Victoria Haugen	40	40		5
21	Averi Visage	40	34		1
22	Taylor Bryan	15	3	1	
23	Kate Bonshak	3			
24	Emmalee McCarter	83	65	5	11
25	Taylor Price	7	7	4	1
26	Emma Pelkowski	26	25	4	8
27	Ava Veith	18	6	1	4
28	Ella Ciardullo	7		1	1
29	Kendall DiMillio				
31 32	Maysen Nelson	2			
34	Emma Stanley Ella Valente	6	1	1	2
35	Ruby Darling	2			
33	at Virginia Tech	1			
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## **RECORD BREAKDOWN**

	Overall	ACC
Overall	5-1-1	0-0
Home	2-1-1	0-0
Away	3-0-0	0-0
Neutral		
Non-conference	5-1-1	
Ranked opponents		
Day matches	0-0-1	
Night matches	5-1-0	
Scoring 0-1 goals	0-1-1	
Scoring 2 goals	1-0-0	
Scoring 3 goals	2-0-0	
Scoring 4+ goals	2-0-0	
Allowing 2 goals	0-1-0	
Allowing 3+ goals	1-0-0	
Hokies score first	4-1-0	
Opponent scores first	1-0-0	
BY MONTH		
August	3-0-1	0-0-0
September	2-1-0	0-0-0
October		

#### **SCORELESS IN 2021**

• Virginia Tech kept its 2021 opponents scoreless through the first 269 minutes of the season, marking the third longest season-opening stretch the Hokies have mastered to date:

Rk	Season	First Goal	Match No.
1.	2019	326:12	4th
2.	2014	322:38	4th
3.	2021	269:23	3rd
4.	2012	245:49	3rd

